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Applicant: CLAUDIA CHERNEY STEWART

Group: 1617

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Examiner: S. HUI

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For: METHOD OF HIV AND HPV PROPHYLAXIS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement of November 21, 2000, Applicant elects without traverse Group I, Claims 1-14, directed to HIV Prevention.

We reserve the right to file a divisional(s) for the claims not elected in this restriction requirement.

An early and favorable action on the merits of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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